HOUSE BILL 2247

By Hardaway

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 8, relative to discipline of state employees.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 8, Chapter 30, Part 3, is amended by adding the following as a new, appropriately designated section:

8-30-3__. Any employee who, while such employee is on duty, advertises such employee's nongovernmental business on state property or in media publications that are produced by or on behalf of the state shall be subject to discipline, up to and including dismissal, except that an employee shall not be subject to discipline for advertising such employee's nongovernmental business on bulletin boards that are located on state property, or in employee newsletters that are produced by or on behalf of the state, which are designated by such employee's employing authority as being an acceptable venue for such advertisements.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2012, the public welfare requiring it.